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Switching Electronics for Space-Based Telescopes with Advanced AO Systems, Phase II

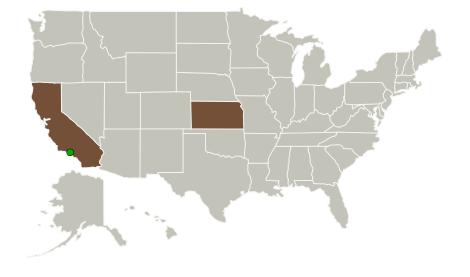


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Project Introduction

A 32x32-channel multiplexing Application Specific Integrated Circuit (ASIC) driver, which can hold a voltage signal with a 16-bit resolution or beyond, is proposed. Such a driver will greatly reduce the operation power, and are compact and reliable. When the ASIC driver is vertically integrated with a Deformable Mirror (DM), the potential wiring failure will be eliminated. Furthermore, radiation resistance will be emphasized during ASIC design. During Phase I period, we had (1) verified the concept of the proposed floating driver for controlling an HV switch configured by a pair of transistors, (2) developed a high-voltage unity-gain buffer for tracing an isolated voltage signal, which is an essential tool towards developing switch arrays with high quality, (3) established the test methods for measuring switch parameters that directly impact the performance of a DM, (4) identified the main switch parameters, feedthrough and leakage, which are the primary impediments causing the drift of a stroke. All of the above made it possible for us to focus on (1) screen HV IC processes to find a qualified IC process with which a switch featuring low leakage can be fabricated, (2) apply decoupling technique to eliminate feedthrough, (3) manufacture an advanced 32x32 switch array with a voltage-resolution of 16-bit or beyond in Phase II.

Primary U.S. Work Locations and Key Partners



Switch parameters		Application specification	
Switch pitch (mm)	1	Actuator number	1024
dc offset	predictable	Stroke (µm)	±0.5 or
$R_{en}(k\Omega)$	<4.2	Actuator pitch (mm)	1
Leakage (pA)	<1.9	Actuator capacitance (nF)	50
Feedthrough capacitance (pF)	<0.47	Operating voltage range (V)	±50/100*
Current pass capability (mA)	5~10	Voltage resolution (bit)	≥16
Voltage delivering range (V)	100	Frame rate (Hz)	0.05~1
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Organizations Performing Work	Role	Туре	Location
Sunlite Science & Technology, Inc.	Lead Organization	Industry Minority-Owned Business, Small Disadvantaged Business (SDB)	Lawrence, Kansas
● Jet Propulsion Laboratory(JPL)	Supporting Organization	NASA Center	Pasadena, California

Primary U.S. Work Locations	
California	Kansas

Images

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Table: The proposed 32x32 switch array with switch parameters designed for an assumed application					

Briefing Chart Image

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Organizational Responsibility

Responsible Mission Directorate:

Space Technology Mission Directorate (STMD)

Lead Organization:

Sunlite Science & Technology, Inc.

Responsible Program:

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Project Management

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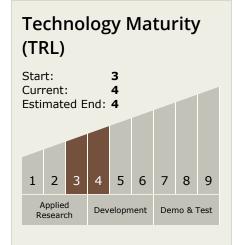


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Technology Areas

Primary:

- TX02 Flight Computing and Avionics
 - └─ TX02.1 Avionics

 Component Technologies

 └─ TX02.1.6 Radiation

 Hardened ASIC

 Technologies

Target Destinations

The Sun, Earth, The Moon, Mars, Others Inside the Solar System, Outside the Solar System

